

For the Attention of County Executive Elrich and County Council Members --

I am writing to insist that you absolutely do not institute a vaccine passport. There are many, many reasons as to why this should not be passed. Here are a few --

- * Vaccine passports are racist. They discriminate against the largest unvaccinated population - non-Caucasians. Imagine the scene of a restaurant owner turning away a Black woman from a restaurant because she can't present her papers to enter. Do we want to live in a community like this?

- * It is obvious to anyone paying attention that the vaccine does not stop transmission. Even the CDC admits this now. Are you looking to protect people from themselves? Then please, go ahead and ban fast food, smoking, alcohol and all the other negatives that affect health. Try that and see what reaction you get.

- * It is also emerging now that there are dangerous side effects from these vaccines and boosters (including myocarditis in young men and the negative effects on women's menstrual cycles). The FDA voted 16-2 against boosters.

- * The mandate will kill small businesses. Other businesses will move out of the county, and this will discourage new business from entering MoCo. You will lose business from the unvaccinated but also those vaccinated people who will boycott to put an end to this tyranny.

- * Finally, how is a mandate even necessary? You brag about the extremely high vaccination rates in this county. Why are you punishing county residents? And you don't even have a mandate in place for county employees. Why is that?

I was born and raised in this county and returned after some time to raise my own family here. I am appalled with how this county is now being managed and will be looking to eventually relocate, like many county residents, if this passes.

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